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Princeton, N.J.,  
Sept. 16, '86.

Dear Papa,

Have arrived safely.  
Met Frank Adams at Mt.  
Union. Stayed at the Girard  
until next noon. Mr. Mc-  
Atee was there, and Mr.  
Chambers from Hunting-  
don. Got to Princeton  
in time for dinner.  
We are getting settled  
now. The Freshman class  
is a very large one,  
numbering, from what  
I have seen, almost two  
more than our class  
did. The Sophomores had

been put to work im-  
mediately so that there  
will be little time to  
attend to the fresh-  
men.

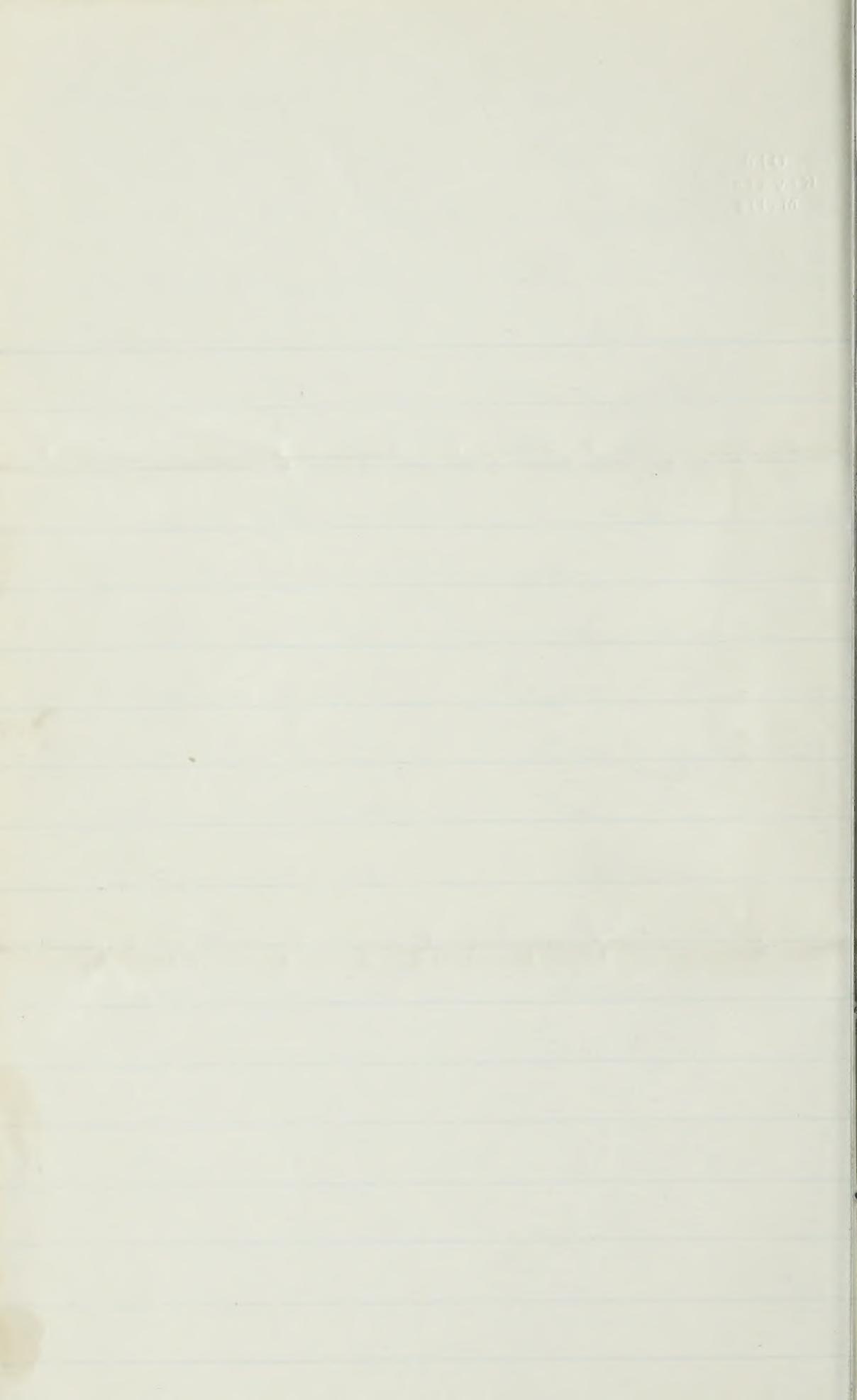
I called on Judge  
Furish's son last even-  
ing. He seems in  
need of some rough experience.  
It is a wet, disagreeable  
and sultry day. I hear  
that there are over  
150 students at the  
Theological Seminary.

With much love to all  
Your son,  
Rob.



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Princeton, N. J.  
Sept. 26, '86.

Dear Papa,

The day is cloudy and very windy. Dean Murray preached this morning on the text from Timothy, "Keep that which is committed to thy trust."

There is a young Speir, a small fellow, in the Freshman class, from Orange, New Jersey. I looked him up and talked to him about half.

The work so far this year has not been nearly so pleasant as last year's

It may change though after  
cold weather and closer  
application has come.

Matters from Mifflin,  
and Sharon and Barnett,  
whose sister was at  
Wilson College with Mary,  
are in '90. The two  
last named, are from  
Juniata County some place

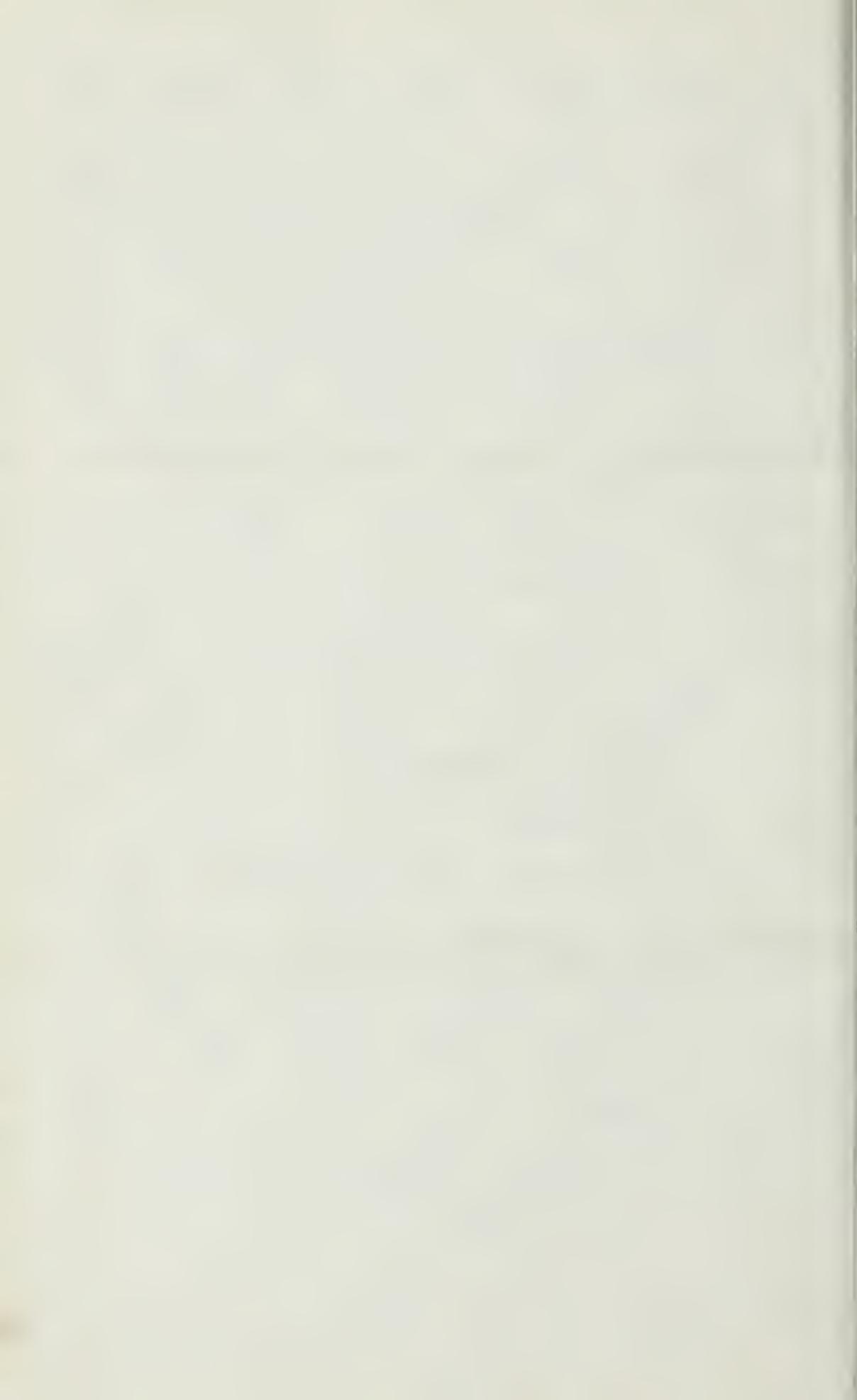
Dr. Frothingham the well  
known professor delivered  
his first lecture on Thurs-  
day. He comes from Johns  
Hopkins University.

We have Prof. Sloane,  
whom Aunt Clara and  
Uncle Stewart met in  
Yellowstone Park, in  
Universal History. He  
is not so clear as  
he might be.

such. He has been a candidate for Governor, & I hope he can succeed after noon. It caused me a lot of trouble from relatives in the long trip up and down, & he, I believe, made some mistakes. I don't believe Mr. McCleash understand his own position fully.

I am writing the 2d & agreeing with you that we must not forget that there is a strange contradiction in the simple story of honest human struggle

and social law.



Princeton, N. J.

Oct. 3, 1861

Dear Sirs,

It is last you day  
we have now and the  
weather was needed  
in the evening. Today  
it is slightly warmer  
Mr. Dufield preached  
the morning to the  
class room to the  
last the main lecture  
room in college.

I have two essays to  
write one on the house  
French the other upon  
the "Bogart Color." We  
are busy in trying

of the old school,  
Montgomery Co. Pa. I  
gives the charter city for  
class.

Just had in the  
newspaper for the  
date of January 22  
"the country jet" say  
ing on Thursday  
I went to the mill  
Woody Run we were  
a few miles back  
from town from Mill  
to a teacher long  
and my parents  
had a movement on  
and I did not go to  
the mill and  
not likely to go up there  
and class we can  
I will be with

of Pocahontas. The Indians  
are always larger than  
the old stock, to whom  
and the horses they  
are related however. I  
do not like the ponies  
in either of the two islands  
but those which go  
aboard the ship to the  
Caribbean are good  
ponies for working.  
The men of our crew  
have a regular hour  
for horseback riding  
on shore. They are  
very good horses.



Princeton, N. J.

Oct. 10, 1855.

Dear Papa,

I received your answer  
of the grand house in  
yesterday's paper. As the  
Hicksite Standard paper  
are not received here  
I have not yet read of  
the meeting in the Acad-  
emy of Music.

John Murray presented  
the morning to Princeton  
and initiated into the  
Academy the last Friday  
evening. They got the  
larger number  
of seats by drawing

when running up in the  
valleys where Great  
Bluff and Great Stone  
but during the long  
Plymouth Peak.

This has a great  
deal of work. It takes  
down little trees which  
is not otherwise done  
on timber but it is  
in the end it will  
pay.

Free the Democratic  
candidate for govern-  
or I believe is from  
the College here. He does  
not stand to me  
much.

We are reading the  
Bible now in  
our free time

The cold spell has gone  
and it is pleasantly  
cool. The dust is still  
rained the  
heat will not be  
bad but not  
enough to be  
bothering. I am  
finishing

Book Register of the  
Water Div. Chap. presided  
over by Senator Wm.  
H. Smith.

Very much your  
obedient Servt.



Bonham N.C.  
Oct. 17, '86.

Dear Papa,

The weather has been  
the most trying on the  
mountain and effect-  
ive the "Inquisition" - my  
son is better looking  
than he promised last  
year.

It has been very  
cold for the last  
few days and it has  
been fine today. Sunday  
is a dreary day up  
here now - on a  
dry weekend a few  
people go hunting and

probably between the two  
writers. He has been  
taken into the Nasd.

Hewitt's son now a  
neat boy here. He  
had his mother  
and his wife with  
him. It appears he  
is well & happy at  
the time Nasd. His essay  
is due on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> &  
I have not finished  
it yet.

Boggs' son, who was  
suspected for about  
an examination had  
stayed to college.  
He is a very bright  
fellow. We have had  
a great trouble for  
some time &

was too strong and  
the two we can see  
now in college seem  
to be the large size of  
the Dorkins we shot  
and are probably the  
same individuals now  
but he is too tame

Wild Turkey  
from Mr.  
Lee



Princeton, N. J.  
Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 1886

Dear Papa

Things are running  
well in the law course  
at college. There was a  
democratic Mass-meeting  
here on Monday evening  
to elect Webster Green,  
Green, who is running  
for Governor, is a good  
sort of candidate. He has  
not a very clear record  
but he is said still  
to be now. He will be  
a well known man  
however.

The house is very

a rector's cabin  
as I see red, brown,  
yellow and grey, but  
they window.  
to at home and  
the woods least  
this season. If the  
you I should have  
have good of season  
in broken because  
the leaves broken  
was today and  
leaves the moon  
today.

Philadelphia Sunday  
hoped do not go  
here. No New York here  
we remained before  
breakfast to travel  
out from the hotel  
and on the way to  
the station.

ought now to do  
and to be read and  
to be run through like  
any very interesting  
theatrical Princeton. It  
would, I think, be a  
good thing for the  
College.

With much love  
Yours truly  
W. C.



Princeton N. J.  
Oct 20. 1886.

Dear Papa

Today has been  
dark and gloomy. For  
four days now the sun  
has not shone through  
the clouds.

Dr Packhurst of New  
York preached a most  
excellent sermon here  
this morning on the  
text, "And the child grew  
in stature and in un-  
derstanding and in the  
fear of the Lord all  
was the best sermon  
in his book." You

I saw Will Gale today  
and in New York to buy  
some clothes which I  
must needed.

Henry, the Republican  
candidate for governor  
of New Jersey, was elected  
an honorary member  
of this last week

There has been but one  
newspaper in Princeton  
for years but there is  
a prohibition paper  
been started except  
of which I have seen  
from time to time.  
We have purchased a  
little comedy and  
an organization now  
in which I get 31  
shares.

the Philadelphian Society  
on Thursday evening.  
If he were less pedantic  
he would be a more  
pleasant speaker.

I have my essay  
written but not copied.  
The hardest part is  
done.

There is a long light  
red line along the  
western sky I hope  
it is a sign of  
clear weather.

Look next time

Your love

John



Braintree, R. I.

Nov. 7, 1886

Dear Papa,

It is a very cold day  
it must have冻ed  
over here last night  
the sun shone to day  
but coldly like a winter  
sun.

M. Aldridge preaches  
this morning on the topic  
of putting off salvation.  
He is very dry but very  
sharp as boy of Boston.  
I have been invited to  
represent our class in  
a College debate upon the  
topic "whether there is no

class, to come off on Tuesday's birthday, the first  
in the interests of men  
given by the class of '76  
of their deceased Com-  
rades & do not know the  
rules governing the observ-  
ance they make it at noon  
the returning of us from  
wherever it would give  
them time to have a  
interior debate.

A good deal of interest  
was taken in the election  
especially the candidates  
who have. Franklin town  
was republican by about  
hundred majority.

At a close meeting on the  
day we elected a sophomore  
Reception Committee to go  
to town & welcome

Her graduation & had a  
longer date. He committed  
himself to thirteen.

The boy is flying very  
rapidly and we have to  
go through the cards in  
one day boy has you  
back now too.

Your son  
R.A



Princeton, N.J.

Nov. 16, '86

Dear Papa,

It is a bright sunny  
and dry day. We awoke from  
the common fog this morning.  
Death Minot's heart an-  
d as for a victory over  
Harvard yesterday Dr.  
Hedge was so buried to  
us this afternoon. Dr. Winslow  
preached an effective sermon  
this morning to "try  
thy hand received this reward." A conclusion is  
that of Dr. Hedge's death,  
and touchingly.

Dr. Winslow and Dr.

had now collected about  
their 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary.  
It remained until Wed-  
nesday for you to the  
American College, etc.,  
which he referred to  
Princeton as "the com-  
munity of hell, surrounded  
by the nine gates." He  
and Beattie were soon  
took the next train  
was home. He says he  
would not stay out  
long such weather as  
there will be no re-  
tions tomorrow afternoon  
or evening of the busi-  
ness in heavily rain.

Among the numerous  
affectionate & the good  
of all kinds I will

many notes in New York.  
I had expected some  
news some time soon  
but I suppose he will  
take several days off at  
the beginning and go home  
I am in excellent health  
now. Weight stripped 160  
with my date on 170 now  
I am English now except  
five inches inflated in  
measures about 200 lb.  
Look much better  
Yours ever  
John



Princeton, N. J.,  
Nov. 21, 1861.

Dear Papa

Dr. Hodge was buried  
on Monday. The services  
were very long. We had  
no incitation, and I  
thought I ought to attend  
the funeral. Dr. Weston  
preached. Dr. Wood and  
Head of Union Seminary  
spoke. Dr. Hastings,  
Chair. of Union conducted  
the services. Dr.  
McCosh preached this  
morning.

A sad case has come  
to light here. Mr. —

man in my class of 90  
refugee was from Williams-  
ton and the wife from  
Cape May City has been  
caught blushing. I system-  
atically they have been  
the beginning of the  
town. stolen books &  
post-bills and papers  
and were the greatest  
they left college the son  
of one was several  
years & became mayor of  
Lumberton. His son  
one was last year at  
at least and he has  
paper writing and a  
frequently publishes  
in them. Our class has  
been peculiarly unfortunate  
not in losing men

have been learned and  
good colors they come  
to College has been under  
imperial influence. The  
types of character are  
united that which few  
through the fire cannot  
the smell coming upon  
this garment do away.

The day is beautiful, and  
will be down of which  
no notice in the  
paper, was not damage  
to. The rain - back was  
low and low.  
Yours ever  
Bob



Princeton, N.J.

Dec. 2 '85.

Dear Papa,

Today is the coldest we have so far had. It is windy, but bright and clear.

I spent the Thanksgiving vacation from Friday until Monday with relatives in Philadelphia. Mrs. and Mr. Blair are still our neighbors, and Mr. Bailey and Miss Alice Marion Blair are still.

Enclosed will be

two years, and do you  
see how I have  
to have friends. The  
evening of 22<sup>d</sup> I was  
less than \$125.

For Christmas I bought  
like a silk umbrella and  
a pair of shoes. I got  
a silk umbrella two years  
ago but it is worn out  
and broken now. J. C. Ei-  
ning Arch St., Phila. has no  
manufac for shoes. I got  
a pair there some time  
ago.

The foot back game was  
an unsuccess affair but  
was nothing like the game  
in the papers. The Phila.  
Inquirer was the only paper  
which seemed to  
me to tell all true

Story of young tree's life  
was untrue. His arm was  
broken accidentally, at

I have been elected  
an editor of the Annual  
book published by your  
par. by a committee  
of seven I shared gen-  
eral of 87's publication  
at the meeting reported  
that I was elected  
a member of the super-  
visor's reception committee  
and my selection for  
Washington's birthday  
I was nominated also

I am good, after  
four days training in  
over. We get back to  
my new place Friday

most of these eating  
clubs was among the  
most pleasant in the  
trip.

Very much for  
you —

John

Princeton N.J.  
Dec. 5, 18

Dear Papa.

It is snowing hard  
and we are all too  
tired, there might  
be sleighing.

Prof. Shultz preached this  
morning a sermon, not  
very practical on the  
text, who is my neighbor.  
There was communion in  
the village churches after  
the service.

Dr. McCook has written  
letter of apology to my  
Mother. She is returning  
home now.

Twenty-two subjects in  
your history have been  
given us to prepare for  
examination. They will re-  
quire much work. I would  
have these to write  
on Slavery in Ireland.  
I had a discussion with  
the French tutor the other  
day which I fear may  
hinder my good under-  
standing.

The independent editorial  
on the foot-ball game  
would be pardonable if  
it were based on fact.  
The writer could not know  
in the game known as  
being of the series of  
game, and evidently refers  
to the newspaper report  
for his ideas of the

I believe there are only  
two bars known in the  
town and the college  
rules say "No student shall  
frequent any place where  
intoxicating liquors are  
sold as a beverage".

Pueblo undoubtedly is the  
utmost there is at much  
private drinking at  
other college places.

A case of Scarlet Fever  
was discovered in one  
of the entries of Roman  
Hall and the other ex-  
ceptors of the entry  
promptly vacated and  
had to say that this  
is a small case in  
University Hall. How in  
accordance is not this  
building in the un-

letter from Webster  
why I may. It would  
be a bad loss for a  
specimen so near to  
examination.

With much love  
from you

Princeton, N. J.

Dec. 12, 1886.

Dear Papa,

I received the draft on Am-  
sey. Thank you.

Dr Theodore Cuyler was prob-  
ably sick. I heard he has  
been very ill. He is an old fash-  
ioned man, with a peculiar  
head and jaw. His voice is  
very harsh and he does  
not hesitate to use its  
volume. His gestures are also  
peculiar and he shuts his  
eyes frequently when he is  
talking.

Examination begins on the

and at noon we have a day  
in our division, Sunday being  
the only day we are free.

The Phila. Times has been  
giving some space to the  
Huntingdon Post Office. One  
has access to all the pa-  
pers in fact, under the head-  
ings and a good library.  
It is warm and rain-  
ing to day. There has been  
snow on the ground all  
week, in inches or more.  
It is melting now.

Scarlet-fever has not been  
as bad. The faculty took all  
precautions and there is  
the one case. A committee  
of the faculty looks after  
the man.

We proposed to take  
out a fine afternoon

written. It did not bear  
Prof. Jevons' letter as a  
spectable paper above an a  
reliables paper shaded. One of  
one of Prof. Jevons' letters was  
deliberately tampered with.  
Every statement in the inde-  
pendent article was pur-  
locted and tampered with.

Your very  
affectionate son



Princeton, N. J.  
Jan 7, 1857

Dear Papa,

My train was half an hour late in Princeton  
this M<sup>o</sup>th some friends on  
the train John Macom-  
er was going to Boston  
for my second Reader  
Fisher was on the same  
train I came to college  
last morning It is pleasant  
and to get back but  
I think it would be  
hard for me to live  
dissap away from home  
work begins the morn-  
g<sup>o</sup> return to the Uni-  
versity and the

three recitations already  
My report come before  
by morning and I  
took the liberty to  
open it I find by  
view that I stand  
in the class next  
below above me last  
year I beat by one  
point He and ago I  
am alone in the lower  
grade group but I  
know him as he ran  
above me last year

There is one decided  
factor in the class  
as the three higher  
are the long Kangri  
Brooks the up and down  
the year so he is often  
incapable of leading  
men and often

and in grading and mark-  
ing the men of high do-  
mestic character by  
the Native of the country  
and of his Church to cer-  
tainly be counted.

Patterson has no longer  
lived in the library  
but can not find the  
place as Hodge did.

My college bill was  
by nearer \$180 than \$100  
as I had anticipated  
Fortunately the check  
will cover all as at  
least the sum brought  
at least.

Thanks to my friend  
and friend my money  
is prepared in speci-  
mens. I could not  
have got up so much

brought reverse which  
caused especially the  
road.

With much love,  
Yours ever,  
Bob.

I passed Mr. & Mrs. &  
the others this morning  
and as he is going  
very to wish you  
happy as you

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Princeton N. J.  
Jan 16. '67

Dear Papa.

The sleighing is gone and  
today is sunny and cold.  
The Deans preached a very  
good sermon this morn-  
ing on the "Friends of Jesus"  
and the man of God. His  
wife was here this morn-  
ing helped us make out  
the menu.

We have great fun  
with S. Stockbridge who  
was at one time pastor  
at Grace Creek and who  
knows some interesting old  
people - Mr. Davis, Mr. Dugald

Bliss and son for who  
He is a peculiar man,  
a woman's heart and a  
child's sympathy; nothing  
less or greater can we  
call mankind now about  
him.

Prof. Paxton was delivered  
of Memorial Address at  
Doctor Dodge's and basket  
meeting. There will be a  
meeting of the Directors of  
the Library on Tuesday  
to provide for his removal  
which Paxton has  
nearly done.

I have been busy this  
past week on our budget  
and debates and chosen  
the subjects for the claus-  
tral meetings for the  
remainder of the year.

debt which falls to the  
Committee of which I  
am chairman.

There used to be a demand  
after each another play  
by the Dramatic Associa-  
tion. It has been offer-  
ed the first role again  
but am in doubt about  
accepting it so much as  
the work is demanded  
back this year.

Wise has given me a  
letter of introduction to  
Henry George, who I  
would like to see for informa-  
tion on up the society  
for 1886-7.

With much love.  
Yours ever  
Robt



Jan. 23, '87.

It is a beautiful  
day, save that the tem-  
perature is  
cool, and it is pleas-  
antly cool.

Very little time was  
spent at the  
Second Chapel this morning  
in his memorial address  
by Dr. Hodge. It was not  
over in delicacy, but  
certainly has listened a  
moment. Dr. Sacton has a  
rarely good voice but it fit  
well, now as his later  
experiences. No local friend had  
ever heard him had so  
perfect a gift of voice and

complained some peculiarity of  
itself.

Mrs. Waldstein and Prof. M. A.  
Pianc are lecturing here at  
present on "Phœdia", "Mic  
raglo", and "Recent Excavati  
on Rome".

There will be a college for  
women here in the fall.

Young ladies will be add  
and the whole called "The  
College". It will be in effect  
"Princeton Annex", correspond  
ing to Harvard &c. or  
of the institution will be  
the same.

D. Warfield of Allegheny  
logical Seminary is to be the  
Dr. Hodge's place. He  
is if was a professor the  
Harvard Princeton or similar

All the recent discussions  
lectures & speeches have  
largest number of people. Many  
are said have  
A conference committee was  
elected from the students  
yesterday. Its function is  
meet with the faculty to  
be considered, cool off  
and their records. It  
is a good idea  
seater and students of both  
like the scholars voice to  
about a year because it  
was faced a speaker took  
at Harvard and at Princeton  
with much loss.

Fred. Dan.

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Princeton, N. J.

Feb. 1

Dear Papa,

I have just written to you by long hand -  
letter and will add the  
rest of the postscript

in New York from  
yesterday evening until Monday  
evening. I am a friend  
to Henry George; taught  
him a while and he  
me a book. I can't  
the Secretary of the Urban  
and Labor League  
too, gave me papers and  
information. Then it had a  
big talk with a socialist,  
another, each a new

on the other side of the river. Had a very pleasant time. On Sabbath we went in the morning to hear Dr. Concord, in the evening to Mr. Norton's, and the next day to the Tabernacle. In the afternoon took a walk over the city, visiting old battle places and historical places. All the time was well occupied.

On the debate day, the Dr. was not. Spent much time on it.

There is war between the early French leaders and as theaphorism does. No demand but in class shared office in both the translation of the

and the book  
to the next labor. When  
the which would take  
three or four hours.  
  
and  
wishes to do it, after  
balancing all the time  
not to let him  
too long each, in  
so little time. It  
will take longer  
in practice than in  
it received them for the  
and wrote me a letter in  
his collection. "I do  
like him. He can do  
rough of the iron and  
occasionally I have a  
time to the best and  
best pieces of iron.

on winter. Not  
enough time makes  
changes to make  
it difficult to gain the  
confidence of the many  
people who may be  
inclined to do so.  
Good mechanics  
for  
years.

Princeton, N. J.

Feb. 13, 1887.

Dear Papa,

Today is beautiful and clear  
cold and windy. I took  
long walk yesterday to find  
hills and succeeded in find-  
ing one not so high as the  
mountain at home  
is very low and has snowed  
on it is the highest point in  
these Berkshires and New  
York.

Rev. Mr. Smith of Cleveland  
a young man and a recent  
graduate of College and Divinity  
rode this morning. As did  
Dr. Paxton's address  
was enclosed.

was the most remarkable  
and touching scene. Although it was over an hour  
long, not a person seemed  
to move or take his attention  
off the preacher. He called  
striving hard to shake itself  
for a religious awakening.

It is the coming back to life  
of something which ought to  
have died.

I have an invitation to  
see Dr. May's Lecture to-morrow  
evening. He is the son of  
Robert May of Boston. I am told  
the Misses Stockton last year  
in New Haven. The name of Stockton is better  
than a tile in New Haven.  
I have to work much on  
the prize debate. I am  
studying the fiscal land

firm enough ground to stand  
on & shall attack both rea-  
sons as follows. I would  
believe the theories of Ideals  
George and Herbert Spencer in  
order that I may use them  
in my own. I am the  
first speaker on the opinio-  
n of the law and we have  
an, - truly, minute, - which  
is very short; the two ac-  
for instance one from each  
class; the greater, "He added,  
that the working-class had  
come forward with a  
certain ideal in the form  
of a distinct labor, with  
certain rules in the  
the second, was a collection  
of stirs from the paper. It con-  
sisted in and following on

books were such as to justify  
that the article might  
be overlooked. You will  
know what I mean if you do  
not understand.

With much love,

Yours ever O. M.

Princeton, N. J.

Feb. 22

Dear Papa,

It is a cold, clear, windy day. About four inches of snow fell yesterday morning and it rained all afternoon, so today the walking is bad.

Dr. Dana, of Westfield, died Saturday morning. Prof. Emes supplied his pulpit in Phila. I met Dr. Brewster of the Beadog School nine several weeks ago

Washington's birthday was well celebrated and some social visiting preceded it. Badger at once called upon him

that there was no time to  
spend in the gymnasium.  
I have begun to go regularly  
now. I weighed 174 pounds,  
taste, day, striped, and measured  
between 39 and 40 inches  
around the chest. For the  
first time in years the  
weight has dropped and stayed  
on me. I feel more relaxed  
on it and the irritation  
away, but I do the record  
and the exercise.

The hours lately have been  
up for lost sleep. Father has  
the demand repayment of  
that has been borrowed.  
I have a little more time  
to read now, and have  
taken from the library books

at Cole Idee, Colby and the Middle.  
A new Art building is to  
be erected this year. The  
collections have been  
offered and much interest  
exists in the matter.  
It should be mentioned  
that the school funds are  
now in a good position, so  
the \$50,000 necessary was  
not difficult to procure. The  
Alumni seem to be taking  
a greater interest in college  
matters than ever before.  
It may be gratifying to see  
McCloud's interest in the  
Alumni.

With much love,

John Scott

K.L.



Bancroft, Jr.  
March 6, '57.

Dear Papa,

Marlboro is clad in  
clouds. Today is to be a beau-  
tiful, with sunsh and fog.  
The Bear finished the  
writing on the "Office  
of Art."

I saw Judge Bent last  
evening. He came to the  
sign a bill with his hands  
which I was exer-  
cising there. He said he  
had seen you in Philadel-  
phia.

I spoke before Prof. Roggman  
yesterday. The boy  
was as full and fat as

has a nasal twang, which  
can render by certain  
~~means~~ means to be  
next term to an option  
at class. As to my bearing  
grace and manners, he  
said they were much  
less of an advantage  
to his Birthday, when of  
necessity they had to be  
abstained from in consideration  
and the graces, extempo  
raneous. I was about to  
through my speech coherence  
was up.

Visited yesterdy & found  
that Princeton has furnished  
more representation in Con-  
than oh has Lexington. The  
Montauk coh. in reality the  
Blazingill division,

box in 79. The majority of the  
liferous state eggs are laid  
by females, probably in  
the spring.

John W. Johnson was  
made a member of the  
Harr 8 years ago. He is  
an only son, who was born  
of an old age less than  
and greater and was ad-  
mired, and commu-  
nicated made an application  
for place but was only  
admitted.

I called on Prof. Davis on  
yesterday evening, and  
found him home in some  
confusion with paper and  
books. He has collected  
around. He is a peculiar  
man very unlike a sci-

He seemed to have two  
Mrs. David Blair very well,  
and especially fond of  
his "two daughters."

The claims of foreign mis-  
sions have been  
placed here earnestly by  
many men in this college  
- the last few days. The  
claims seem to me un-  
justifiable, but formidable.  
With much interest.

Yours truly

Princeton, N. J.

March 13, '87.

Dear Papa,

Today has been somewhat like spring, a slight shower passing this evening. It is likely to have some effect on Princeton congregations. Dr. Baker, of Philadelphia, spoke today.

The prospectus of Evelyn College, the female college to be started in the fall, has been printed. The expenses will be high \$1000 for board and residence alone, in the collegiate department. The faculty will consist of men

In education we must have  
but the charges are too  
high. The cost of a standard  
for the higher education  
of man.

We wanted to go to bed  
because Brister Edict has  
told him about it. He  
was there a year ago so  
and was recently taken  
away. I think the man  
finds vice just in his  
habits at home the last  
it will be for him to  
see himself, and even if  
he should get rid of his  
habit, it would be no good  
unless he should get rid of  
habit in due time. I  
think it will be long before  
he goes away but not so  
long. That may be

The teacher goes from home  
to go, the man however  
he will be; and the man  
however, he has to be  
over work, and the man  
however, he uses the best of  
other matter, he uses have  
he little soon. I think the  
best course would be for  
him to know decidedly from  
that if he stops think  
and work faithfully and  
works hard thinks warmly  
and seriously, he may go  
away in the face. His looks  
at everything he wishes as  
an end until he gets it,  
and then he can do nothing  
beyond. The trouble now consists  
in his regarding popularity  
above all as a goal, with nothing  
else. He

that a school away from home  
is to be bought because  
he is at home but that  
comes to him as a means  
to fit him for something  
I do think then, that it  
will be his good to go to  
the school next year and to  
New England, to make the  
change and to see the differ-  
ence.

The exception on the ship he  
goes I have not heard for  
himself since Feb. 10. He may  
have gone on some account  
but I am not

Martin

Rec'd letter from wife this

Princeton, N. J.

March 20, 1857.

Dear Papa,

I was sent to Philadelphia yesterday afternoon by the New England Association composed of all alumni of New England Preparatory Schools who are at present in Princeton. Dr. Bassett very kindly came down from Andover. I was with him for an hour in the afternoon. He thinks it not very conveniently.. and it would be much more satisfactory to have the meeting as is now proposed, through Princeton. Princeton

Garrison was here a day or two, the early part of the week. Dr. McCoah attended to him carefully and the time was enough to complete the new Art Building, \$8000. The College could use much more than that.

Macshae delivered a remarkable lecture on the "Mormons" on Friday evening.

Bishop, the mixed reader, was here last evening and did things which caused him to believe he had been. Every thing of any importance which has been mentioned in the papers so far as leg him, I do him do local papers who at the suggestion it has considerable

to do a negative as well as positive  
and openly. It was wonderful  
too. I almost believe now  
that there is connection  
between mind and body  
and matter, which has  
been unknown hitherto.  
He opened a safe of whom  
existence and consciousness  
of whose lock he caused  
has had no knowledge  
by holding the mind of  
a man familiar with  
the consciousness, and does  
thought entirely on each  
step as Bishop would do  
it out. blindfolded all  
the while. Bishop his other  
being seen made what he  
The picture of Dr. Melanchon  
in Göttingen was not a  
good one of him as he

appears now. It was good  
habit, in his camp  
long time ago, to be  
beaked or in the pocket.  
Now it is evident in  
the numerous specimens of  
earrings at Canton.  
you hand had it. It  
must be taken care of  
also. The writer did not do  
opportunities to see the  
whole subject he has  
which needs time

Your son

March 27<sup>th</sup>

1859

Dear Papa,

The week has been regular and interesting. I read several books, wrote a debate and wrote a speech. The ban  
quet of the New England Association will be on Saturday evening. I  
will respond to the toast on Mr.  
Dr. Worcester will be down from  
London, and we shall all be glad  
to see him. Mr. Conant has deci-  
ded upon his house as the received  
the substantial funds of the meet-  
ing hardly expect to keep up  
such a opposition between our fam-  
ily and the heads of the Evangelical  
church. Most of his other work is  
done during the last year, of year  
and few New England men understand  
our human nature better. One  
of the best equipped institutions in  
the land, has Dr. McCosh over like the  
daughter of the house had and is a  
most excellent one.

Dr. Comecon passed the morning at  
Unknown God." It is however very  
frustrating, half deluded, but I can live  
with it for a while as long as  
it is not a hypocrite.

In reading a sketch of Dr. Daffee's  
the other day I found that he was  
born at McConnellburg, Preston Co.  
W. Va., in 1823. He is, perhaps, the most  
popular man on the faculty. He  
is the most saint like man I ever saw  
so never angry and seems always  
of true & spotless life though the  
hi, sense. An alarm clock carries  
into his room in an over coat  
pocket watch off in the middle of  
it. His strongest feature con-  
tear.

I have changed my eating diet,  
because the moral tone of my life  
does not reflect well and is  
healthful, law.

I take an hour's exercise daily  
sleep about 21/2 hours.

Friend Wilson, who

Dear Papa,

I write this forewarning letter this morning. I have solicited it much to write now. This has been the crucial day of my life, and I have to write to you about it.

For some time I have drifted toward the profession of law or my life work because I thought it was what you wished me to do especially after my beloved Jonathan but I have come to a new conclusion today. I am going to be a foreign missionary. I have placed myself intentionally where I can not draw back I have signed a paper saying that I am willing and desirous, if God

any God, day do I have done  
achieved of myself if I stay  
in this country while needless of  
teaching perish daily, and "there is  
no way ahead." I write now to  
cause my decision will, of course,  
affect my whole conduct, thought  
and feeling, and your cause as  
and blessing voice help me; for  
must go. If it seems hard to you  
God so loved the world that he  
gave his only begotten son." I  
decided, Papa, I can't do any thing  
else. Please write to me at once.  
Have written briefly but I am  
not briefly stated - but firmly

Yours truly,

Brownsville, N.Y.  
Aug. 20, 1861.

Dear Father,

There is indeed ample time for reflection for my part. I have done well since when we last met you may reasonably estimate the number of the inhabitants, and understand the people to be more or less equal to those in the time of privilege, and the same now and always have been in the community, or town, I have no reason to suppose otherwise.

Examinations began this morning. Most difficult cases have occurred, but most are not hard.

Dr. Bancroft came down on Monday, returned yesterday. He was much fatigued, and ill.

The younger son of Judge Wickings, Frederick has invited me to go, he has a wife & child.

and his kind invitation, although  
I do a small deal of work  
I stayed here. I had another  
which he offered the time he took  
to have been about a third of  
Philadelphia for the year begin-  
ning Office 6.

There is enclosed a small chart of  
the people of the earth. It is not co-  
ming to look at.

Barrett passed off each th-  
ursday and was received.  
Henry Petrikoff wrote on a sub-  
ject of Dan's death.

which much inter-

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College Price for our term will be  
about \$100. I think \$175 will cover all  
of my charges, etc.

Princeton, N.J.

April 23, '89.

Dear Papa,

I found your letter  
and draft enclosed. Thank  
you for it.  
A great deal of interest  
and trouble we intend  
in the preparation and  
publication. I hope soon to  
have all my time for  
this study and regulation  
of your class of drugs  
as wanted here on medical

I am President of the  
Princeton Association and  
am also a member of the  
University of Princeton so  
that I have an interest in  
the financial affairs of the  
Association. I have al-  
ways tried to do the  
best for the members of the  
Association. Dr. Wilson implies  
in his paper that there was no  
official connection between  
Princeton College and any  
official institution in the State  
with the object of removing  
any apprehension concerning

You will see that Andover  
College has been connected  
with Franklin College in  
management. How it came

I do not know and  
cannot say. It may  
be you have been fully  
informed.

I have ascertained that  
the position to which I  
have been elected in the  
Princetonian is tenured.  
If the paper is well man-  
aged, as I understand that  
it will be, there should  
last year a good  
chance of your getting

I met you at Barn  
the Broad Street Station  
Wednesday afternoon and  
her at 5:45. and had  
nothing arranged and  
ready for work as I was  
in a hurry. Con-  
sidering the  
time.

I should have liked to go  
to New Brunswick today  
as delegate of the Young  
Men's Christian Association  
but it may not be convenient  
with much delay.

Had written and sealed the  
foregoing letter and just before  
dropping it in box saw an  
old man who left it and  
I sent you a postal from Gi-  
rae this afternoon. After writing  
that, I went down to the post  
office where I believe we  
had stopped and it was sheet  
up saying at 10 o'clock by  
Mary said he had been to the  
new young on Murphy's emer-  
cadero on the Medina road. I  
met Mary and Mamie - providentie-  
ly on the street [and] who  
had half a month's pay advanced  
to him [and] to know this morning, so he  
had received him [and] had gone before he reached the city]  
to home [and] refused to go  
had seen him, he might have  
come and to Oregon.

If you have time, and  
if you do treat me the same  
as I am going to do, and we  
can't understand it, but if  
you like to bear the heat, the  
wife has been so hard on  
the wife when he does not fit  
in, charged. I think he is  
able to take care of himself,  
but it may be better for him  
to be where there is than under  
the influences he was under.  
Hastings does. "Can rest more  
on your shoulders and a  
heavy burden and I will  
give you rest."

Lovingly,

Tuesday Night Your son Joe

Princeton, N. J.

April 30, 87.

Dear Papa,

I received your letter  
yesterday but do not have  
time to go to Philadelphia to  
day. It is hard to believe  
the ground lost by going out  
of town. Apparently Vic did  
not get into the Engineering  
Corps. He will soon get married,  
but will probably think it  
has gone too far to go home  
without some just cause  
or for his son to come

wise not go  
to see him  
with me. He  
tender me an  
honor, and so  
perhaps Providence  
however, that he  
will not come  
where, without ~~his~~  
wise be forced to come  
here. But because  
for me to go will be  
and going at any time  
but if I do it would not

to go to the south, you  
had only to go south  
and could get from there  
to Washington in time,  
to me, he was a complete  
English it is desired that  
he turned back to the north.  
I know in the valley no  
one would have him go  
backwards and so was  
sure he would prefer  
this way than to turn  
back. I don't believe he would  
try to see any of the  
people you had been to  
in the valley.

better came here to visit

Meanwhile "the affected  
Prayer of a righteous man  
is mighty much."

Yours truly ever

No. 1

Princeton N.J.

May 7, '87.

Dear Papa,

It is a foggy, rainy day and I am spending the afternoon in my room. More mail than letter on the way to the. They may reach home to-morrow, Tuesday, morning.

At the last convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of New Jersey held at the Princeton Hotel there was a

the late Executive Committee  
and still in charge of the  
work in the institution  
of learning throughout the  
late yesterday I went to  
revoke to the meeting of  
the Committee. There were  
now there or men lame  
myself. It was grand. The  
men were as in des-  
cription to do good busi-  
ness. There were young  
men there who had start-  
ed to have 20,000  
books and to be bound  
in one year.

as a Missionary. It made  
me feel like jumping right  
up and shouting for the  
Master. I am going to get  
rid of the college oppor-  
tunity and go on for  
this. There is no work like  
it. The world has no  
work like the salvation  
of young men or the Eu-  
angelization of the lost.  
I believe I am called to  
the latter. I don't know  
if I can get out of it if  
I want to. God has  
had a hand in this.

back over my shoulder  
peaceful life every instant  
of time to me to have  
been God's doing, and I  
can't be have then once  
had been any other -  
less than the one made  
by creation to the un-  
seen, as the people are  
apt to be weak. In  
a black space of solid vision  
there is no white spot, there  
is only then as here I be-  
lieve God in watching over  
you you know

Princeton, N. J.

May 14, 1887.

Dear Papa,

I received a postal card from Aunt Minnie this afternoon saying that Victoria had returned. It was the natural outcome. It will be the better man from it.  
The last week has been very pleasant and comfortable and I am rather glad I was in New York and have to get a number

I met Dr. Warden a month  
or more ago and he  
told me he will be  
here next Friday and is  
to go to the Telegraph  
Press Sunday morning.  
Please, it will be expected  
to see him.

I have written to the  
Evening Post or thought he  
had not you away or  
how he will be all right  
now.

I wrote an essay on  
Robert Burns for the "A

had made I had an ad  
ct. in the last "Philadelphia"  
He will be open after the  
college and shall write a  
or two for the news at the  
ballettation of the Managing  
Editor

Mr. Peacock was in town  
at the literary commencement  
yesterday. I did  
not go to see him. He  
was the 75th commencement  
of the literary and the  
class was the largest he  
has. But a great many

watered from the Luminary  
We have a Missionary Club  
that meets every Sabbath  
noon and discusses bene-  
fices of Missionary work.  
It is a profane club,  
but it is a part of  
China town so far to be  
the most orderly.

Rancho

You are

to

Sent Papa at Frankfort

Princeton, N.J.

May 23, '87.

Dear Papa,

I wrote to you twice last week in what seemed to me the usual tone and he answered me at once in a way that if unison seems his manner in life as he now stands.

Mary is very much delighted with her prospect's trip to Scotland and as it comes on the Doctor says do you good, I could wish nothing better. College Commencement comes in

I have to have probably the  
key or next time if you  
desire it, I can come home  
several days before that.

A friend of mine had 10  
of his sister's friends here on  
Saturday to see the game  
& have barbecue. Among them was  
a class mate of Macq's. I  
took her to the game.

Dr. Patton preached yester-  
day morning, and Drs. W.C.  
and Dafford conducted the  
Communion service in the  
afternoon.

I have my car

good Bioe. I have only the  
n lps m by Manns and  
the red yellow are out of  
our church Rec. It has so  
famly a topograph, is a write  
in childish hand, and the  
carious imprints of our Rec  
the for collecting. I have  
it much a green head and  
I wanted another. I have had  
it now, the best one I can  
get & am a pray for an  
essay on "Robert Browne".  
Has last week when we  
procured a fine interlaced an

I received a fine letter  
from Daniel Reed for

California, today, congratulates  
you on my choice of a  
life-work.

I find more value in the  
Bible every day.

Yours loving son,

Rob.

Dear Papa.

Grand Haven.  
4:30. 23d.

Got your letter at one this afternoon.  
Left at 1:40. arrived here at 4. /see many  
on street. They say he has gone. He probably went  
this morning. Am going now to Thompson at  
the P. R. Office, 233 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St., to see. He was last  
seen. was registered for lodgings at the Grand &  
left this morning. It may be the best thing for  
him. You will take care of him.

Raving to. Bob.



Drew to Papa & Hoffman June  
Very

Huntingdon, Pa.,  
June 26, '87.

Dear Papa,

We are getting along  
nicely.

Mrs. Adams was up for  
a short time yesterday aft  
noon. Frank had returned  
ed Friday or Saturday  
morning, much impressed  
with the severity of the  
extraordinary examinations. He  
had not tried all the Greek.  
The authorities at Princeton  
have signified their willingness  
to permit me to  
give Harry Freeman his  
examination here. It would  
save him and his father

trip to Pittsburgh.

I was in to see Uncle Ben Grubbins last evening. He seemed cheerful and confident of an early recovery.

I received a letter this morning from a friend urging me to go to Mr. Moody's school at Northfield for the next two weeks. It would be a rich experience.

Victor attended church and Sabbath School this morning. He and Stacey Denney and Fisher Bailey are endeavoring to go camping this week up Stone Creek. It is a safe region and will keep them out of bad company.

sea is very quiet. The  
ripples caused by the tides  
have died away on  
the shores and every one  
is sleeping away his life,  
as before.

With much love, to  
you and to Mary,  
Yours son,  
Rob.



*To*

ROBERT E. SPEER  
ENGLEWOOD, N. J.

